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THERE FOLLOWS US PILOT COUNTRY QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT

ON ADVANCED HEALTH CARE DELIVERY SYSTEMS PILOT STUDY:

BEGIN TEXT:

PROGRESS REPORT (AUGUST 1973) ON  
PILOT STUDY ON ADVANCED HEALTH CARE DELIVERY SYSTEMS

MOST OF THE WORK OF THE CCMS PILOT STUDY ON  
ADVANCED HEALTH CARE DELIVERY SYSTEMS THUS FAR IN 1973  
HAS CENTERED AROUND MEETINGS OF WORKING GROUPS TO DEFINE  
PROJECT GOALS MORE EXPLICITLY AND TO ESTABLISH FOCI  
FOR INVESTIGATION AND DOCUMENTATION. DISCUSSION FOLLOWS  
ON EACH OF THE PROJECT AREAS:

1. AUTOMATION OF CLINICAL LABORATORIES (ACL):

THE THIRD MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP FOR THE CCMS  
PROJECT ON ACL MET IN COMO, ITALY IN MAY OF 1973. THE

MEETING WAS HOSTED BY THE COMMISSION OF HEALTH  
LOMBARDIA REGION, ITALY, AND SEVERAL TOPICS WERE  
DISCUSSED, INCLUDING: A) A DRAFT LAW GOVERNING THE  
SALE OF DIAGNOSTIC PRODUCTS; B) FACTORS IN QUALITY  
CONTROL; C) POSITIVE PATIENT AND SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION  
SYSTEMS; D) INFORMATION CONTENT OF LABORATORY  
REPORTS; AND E) STANDARD REFERENCE MATERIALS. THE  
FOURTH MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP IS SCHEDULED FOR  
WASHINGTON, D.C. IN MID-NOVEMBER, WITH THE FOLLOWING  
AGENDA ITEMS: A) ESTABLISHMENT OF GENERAL GUIDELINES  
FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF KITS AND READY-MADE  
REAGENTS; B) USE OF KEY WORK TERMINOLOGY FOR  
AUTOMATION AND COMPUTER PUBLICATIONS IN CLINICAL  
LABORATORY SCIENCES; C) GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR AN  
INTERNATIONAL POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM; AND  
D) PROTOCOL FOR THE LEAD REFERENCE METHOD.

2. ORGANIZED AMBULATORY HEALTH SERVICES (OAHS):

A STUDY TOUR OF PROJECTS WAS MADE IN SELECTED  
COUNTRIES APRIL 16-28. THE PROJECT SITES VISITED  
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WERE THE THAMES MEAD HEALTH CENTRE IN LONDON, ENGLAND,  
THE SIGHTHILL HEALTH CENTRE IN EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND,  
THE MOBILE DIAGNOSTIC UNIT IN FLORENCE, ITALY, AND  
EXAMINATION SERVICES IN NANCY, FRANCE AND BRUSSELS,  
BELGIUM. IN THE INTERVENING PERIOD, REPORTS ON  
OBSERVATIONS AT THOSE SITES HAVE BEEN PREPARED BY EACH  
OF THE PARTICIPANTS, AND DRAFTS ARE IN THE PROCESS  
OF BEING EXCHANGED. THE NEXT MEETING WILL LIKELY

BE HELD IN OCTOBER OR NOVEMBER, AT WHICH TIME THESE DRAFTS WILL BE DISCUSSED.

3. EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS):

THE EMS WORKING GROUP MET MARCH 15-17, 1973 IN LISBON, PORTUGAL IN ORDER TO PLAN FUTURE ACTIVITIES, PARTICULARLY AN INTERNATIONAL WORK CONFERENCE OF TECHNICAL EXPERTS IN THE FIELD CONCERNED WITH VARIOUS ASPECTS OF MEDICAL EMERGENCIES. THE CONFERENCE IS PROPOSED FOR GERMANY IN THE FALL AND IS DESIGNED FOR ABOUT THIRTY EXPERTS IN THE FIELD OF EMS FROM A BROAD SPECTRUM OF NATIONS. IT WAS DECIDED THAT THIS CONFERENCE SHOULD CENTER AROUND A DISCUSSION OF: A) PRE-SYSTEM ACTION (PUBLIC INFORMATION AND EDUCATION IN ORDER TO DETECT, NOTIFY AND PROVIDE EARLY LIFE-PRESERVING ACTION); AND B) SYSTEM ACTION (DISPATCH, RESPONSE EQUIPMENT, RESPONSE PERSONNEL, INSTITUTIONAL REQUIREMENTS AND EVALUATION).

4. SYSTEMATIC ASSESSMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES (SAHS):

A MEETING OF THE STUDY GROUP FOR SAHS WAS HELD IN PORTUGAL ON FEBRUARY 26 AND 27. AT THAT MEETING CONSIDERABLE DISCUSSION WAS DEVOTED TO THE SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT AND IT WAS AGREED THAT A SYSTEMATIC SURVEY OF EXISTING MODELS OF SAHS IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA WOULD BE HELPFUL TO THE PROJECT. THIS SURVEY IS SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE IN THE FALL AND PROPOSED SITES ARE: A) IN THE US, SUCH OPERATIONS AS HUP, THE BUREAU OF HEALTH INSURANCE IN SSA, THE NEW PSRO OFFICE AND THE MEDICAL CARE FOUNDATIONS IN UNCLASSIFIED

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NEW MEXICO AND SACRAMENTO; AND B) IN CANADA, BRITISH COLUMBIA IN WHICH THE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION PLAYS A DOMINANT ROLE IN THE SAHS; SASKATCHEWAN, WHICH HAS THE MOST EFFICIENT DATA SYSTEM; AND NOVA SCOTIA IN WHICH THE FEDERAL PROGRAM IS ADMINISTERED BY THE LOCAL PHYSICIANS AND INCLUDES A SMALL DRUG REVIEW PROGRAM. A CABLED INQUIRY (MAY) AS TO PREFERRED DATES AND FOCAL POINTS OF THE SURVEY HAS NOT AS YET ELICITED RESPONSES FROM ALL INTERESTED COUNTRIES.

5. DRUG REHABILITATION (DR):

IN JANUARY, DR. NORMAN REYNOLDS FROM NIMH VISITED SEVERAL EUROPEAN CAPITALS TO SURVEY INTEREST IN THIS PROJECT. THOUGH THERE WAS SOME INTEREST EXPRESSED

VERBALLY AT THE TIME OF THIS VISIT, OFFICIAL RESPONSE  
FROM THE COUNTRIES CONCERNED IS PENDING. SINCE THAT  
TIME, THE US HAS RENEWED ITS EXPRESSION OF INTEREST  
IN THIS PROJECT VIA: A) A LETTER FROM DR. EGEBERG  
PROPOSING COOPERATION WITH THE US AND CANADA IN DRUG  
REHABILITATION; AND B) A VISIT BY DR. EGEBERG IN  
JULY 1973 TO RE-SURVEY INTEREST IN THE FIELD.  
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